



# **Vietnam Veterans of America**

## **Chapter 1**

**December 2001**

### **MINUTES OF MEETING OF SEPT. 1, 2001**

Attending were: John Bergeron, Andy Megrath, Dick Doyle, Jon Pintello, Kim Hoerr, Howard Cobb.

Called to order at 6:15 p.m.

\$200 was approved for "PT Boats Inc.," a non-profit established to preserve the history of that unique chapter of the U.S. Naval Service. Passing years have dwindled their numbers but not their spirit.

Motion introduced by Dick Doyle, seconded by Howard Cobb, approves matching funds or \$200 to erect a flag pole on the playing field at Mill River High School, pending school board approval.

\$100 was approved for the annual statewide Veterans Day Parade, traditionally held on the first Saturday in November, or Nov. 3, 2001.

A donation to the Veterans Home in Bennington to aid in purchasing 50 POW/MIA flags was not approved. General consensus though it not a feasible tribute.

A new member is Robert La Crosse of Altamont, N.Y., a 20-year naval service veteran and Rutland native. He is a 1962 graduate of Mount St. Joseph Academy. He served as a storekeeper with the Navy Seals in Vietnam. He is married to Joan Vander Walker of Schroon Lake, N.Y.